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POLISH SHIPS TO GET RADAR

TO OUTFIT 3 VESSELS -- Slowo Katolickie, No 50, 10 Dec 49

The Polish ships Sobieski, Kosciuszko, and Czech will soon receive modern radar equipment.

GOPLO-WARTA CANAL OPENED -- Ziemia Pomorska, No 329, 30 Nov 49

The 30-kilometer canal joining Lake Goplo with the Warta River was opened on 27 November 1949.

The Goplo-Warta Canal is important economically since it connects the Bydgoszcz Canal System and the Wisla River with the Warta and the Odra rivers through the upper Notec Canal. In the process of building the canal, the useless marshy lands along the canal were drained and converted into fertile fields and meadows.

FERRY SALVAGED FROM OCEAN -- Slowo Katolickie, No 3, 28 Jan 50

A ferry, recently salvaged from the ocean, will run on the Swina River in Swinoujscie as soon as it is completely repaired.

GERMAN TUG RAISED -- Ziemia Pomorska, No 324, 25 Nov 49

The German tug Excellence, a two-engine twin-screw tug, 25 meters long and 15 meters wide, was raised by port workers in Kolobrzeg. The workers came upon the tug accidentally.

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OUTLINES SECURITY MEASURES FOR POLISH AIR FORCE UNITS

The following security procedure at an _unidentified / Polish airbase is a good example of the proper observance of security precautions.

The sentry at the barracks gates detains a visitor until the chief guard arrives. Another sentry then conducts him to the duty officer. After a thorough examination of the visitor's credentials, the deputy unit commander begins to question him. Such procedure is simply justifiable vigilance. Security is a matter of personal honor for each officer, noncommissioned officer, and soldier of an air force unit.

Passing through the corridors of the barracks, one sees cards with the inscription "Attention-Seal" on the doors leading to the offices of squadron commanders. These doors are not only locked, but also sealed. Only those with appropriate keys can enter the offices. Rough drafts of secret documents are made only on special pads given out for this purpose. No staff officer will sign a document until he receives the pad with the rough draft. Documents are kept in special brief cases supplied with an appropriate index, and the brief cases are locked in safes.

The present security regulations are the result of a long study conducted by military and party organizations. After the third plenum of the Central Committee of the United Polish Workers' Party, special emphasis was placed on the protection of military secrets, on informing the personnel of each unit of the content of the government decree, and on the need of educating officers and soldiers in security, especially in air force matters.

The party organization of an air force unit details a lieutenant to the task of maintaining a constant check on the fulfillment of security regulations in his unit. He prepares army talks on security, inspects army posts, and observes how pilots behave away from the air base. Since a great number of officers live in the same section, orders were issued to the effect that the military rank be removed from name cards on the doors of officers' apartments to prevent spies from discovering the formation and strength of the unit's officer corps.

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In a typical lecture on security, a pilot discussed the Robineau affair. Spies by imperialist powers are particularly interested in Poland's military secrets, he said, but because of the vigilance of security organs, the spy network was discovered. He noted that the sentries, however, must not have been sufficiently vigilant if spies were able to draw maps of air bases. There must be no subversives at Polish airfields, he said. The need of constantly watching out for Anglo-American imperialists who are trying to obtain Poland's military plans was also stressed.

Military security depends on discipline and systematic indoctrination, including frequent talks with individual soldiers, and propaganda and lectures by party activists. The party organization of an air force unit must see that the sentries are politically reliable. -- Capt. T. Urniaz

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